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Re: Continuing collaboration of "A Scalable and Extensible Earth System Model for Climate Change Science" with the "Earth System Grid Center for Enabling Technologies (ESG-CET)"

Dear Dean,

I am writing to confirm that through my project in the DOE Office of Biological and Environmental Research entitled "NERSC Support for the Community Climate System Model (K11130)", I intend to continue collaboration with your project "Earth System Grid Center for Enabling Technologies (ESG-CET)".

I firmly believe that your project is in the US national interest as the widespread dissemination of climate model data has proven to be a driver in the advancement of our understanding of climate change. The daunting issues faced by the ever increasing volume of data are well served by the ESG approach. In fact, I see few other alternatives for distributing the next generations of model data.

I look forward to great progress in the months ahead.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Wehner". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Michael" and last name "Wehner" clearly distinguishable.

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